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wherein A is nitrogen or N→O, R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are individually selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and alkyl of 1 to 18 carbon atoms, R is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>OB, Hal is halogen, m and n are individually an integer from 1 to 8, B is hydrogen or  $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{-Ar}_2\text{OB-(CH}_2\text{)}_n\text{-Ar}$ , Ar is a mono- or polycyclic aryl or heteroaryl, Z is hydrogen or acyl of an organic carboxylic acid of up to 18 carbon atoms and its non-toxic, pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts.

Cancel claim 5.

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B<sup>2</sup>

Claim 7 (amended) A compound of claim 1 selected from the group consisting of [3-aS-(3aR\*, 4S\*, 7R\*, 9S\*, 11S\*, 13S\*, 15S\*, 15aS\*)]-4-ethyl-7-fluoro-3a, 4, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 15a-octahydro-11-methoxy-3a, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15-hexamethyl-10-[[3,4,6-trideoxy-3-(dimethyl-amino)-.beta.-D-xylo-hexopyranosyl]oxy]-14,1-(nitriloethano)-2H-oxacyclotetradecino[4,3-]oxazole-2,6,8(9H)-trione and [3aS-(3aR\*, 4S\*, 7R\*, 9S\*, 10S\*, 11S\*, 13A\*, 15S\*, 15aS\*, 17R\*)]-4-ethyl-7-fluoro-3a,4,10,11,12,13,15,15a-octahydro-18-hydroxymethyl)-11-methoxy-3a,7,9,11,13,15-hexamethyl-10-[[3-4,6-trideoxy-3-(dimethylamino)-.beta.-D-xylohexopyranosyl]oxy]-14,1-(nitriloethano)-2H-oxacyclotetradecino[4,3-d]oxazole-2,6,8(9H)-trione.

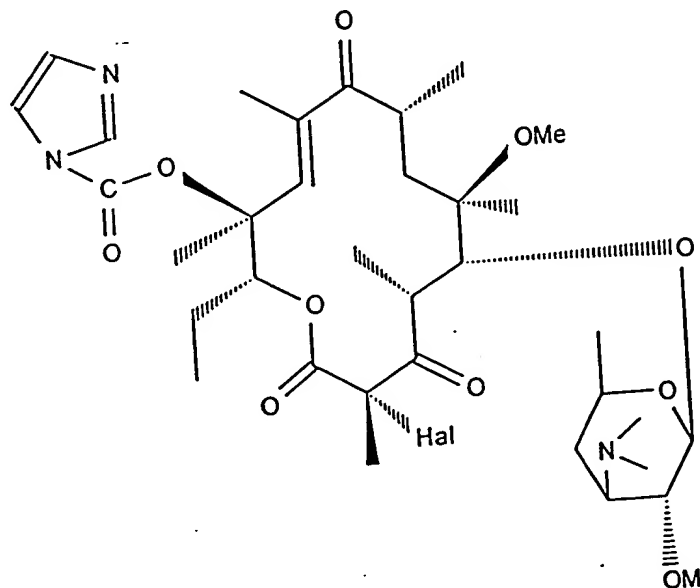
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Claim <sup>9</sup>10 (amended) A method of treating bacterial infections in warm-blooded animals comprising administering to warm-blooded animals in need thereof an antibiotically effective amount of a compound of claim 1.

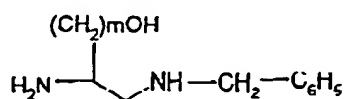
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Claim ~~11~~ (amended) A method of treating bacterial infections

in warm-blooded animals comprising administering to warm-blooded animals in need thereof an antibiotically effective amount of a compound of claim <sup>8</sup> ~~7~~.

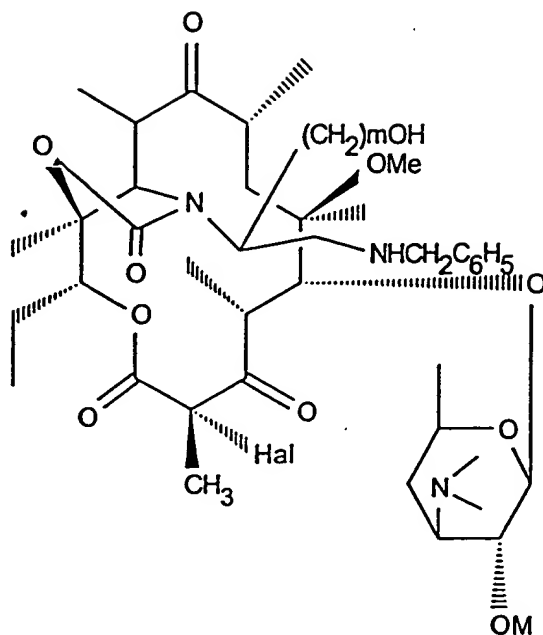
Claim ~~12~~ (amended) A process for the preparation of a compound of claim 1 comprising reacting a compound of the formula



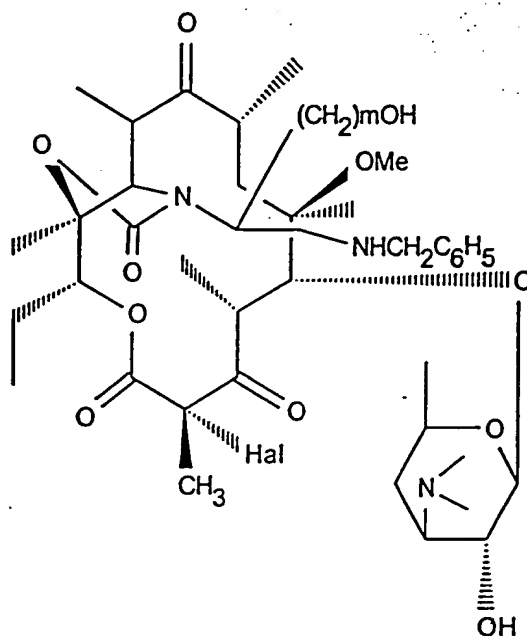
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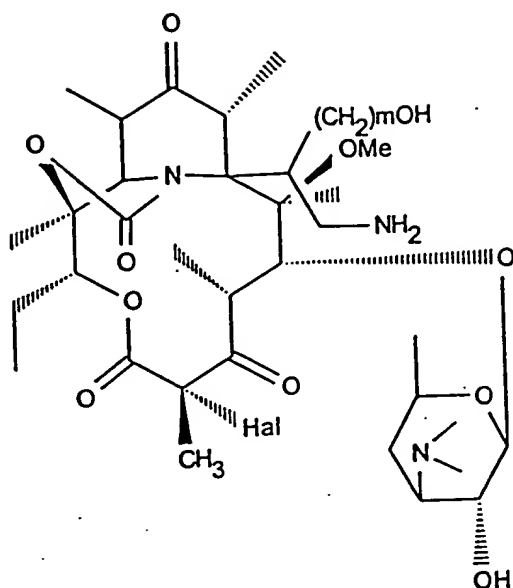
wherein m is an integer from 1 to 8 to obtain a compound of the formula



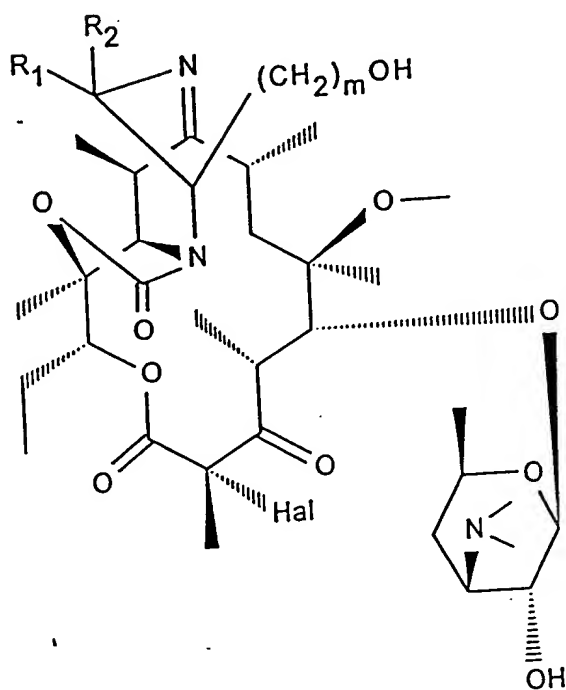
deprotecting the 2'-hydroxyl to obtain a compound of the formula



reacting the latter with a debenzylating agent to obtain a compound of the formula



reacting the latter with a cyclization agent to form a compound of the formula



corresponding to a compound of Formula I of claim 1 wherein R is -  
 $(CH_2)_m-OH$  and optionally subjecting the latter to an aralkylating  
 or acylating agent to obtain a compound of Formula I of claim 1